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SUBJECT: SSOD: PROGRAM OF ACTION - FRENCH SATELLITE
VERIFICATION AGENCY PROPOSAL

REF: STATE 147644

1. AT JUNE 12 M-ETING OF THE PROGRAM OF ACTION DRAFTING
GROUP, FRENCH REP (LENNUYEUX-COMNENE) ANNOUNCED THAT
HE WOULD BE PROVIDING SECRETARIAT WITH A REVISED TEXT OF
THEIR PROPOSAL FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL
SATELLITE VERIFICATION AGENCY, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE
COMMENTS AND OBSERVATIONS MADE BY OTHER DELS TO DATE.
FRENCH REP SUBSEQUENTLY PROVIDED US WITH ADVANCE COPY
OF THEIR REVISED PROPOSAL. THIS TEXT REPLACES THAT
CONTAINED IN THE LAST PARAGRAPH OF PAGE 38 OF THE REPORT
OF THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE TO THE SSOD (SUPPLEMENT
1 A/S-10/1).

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2. INFORMAL USUN TRANSLATION OF THE REVISED FRENCH
TEXT IS AS FOLLOWS:

BEGIN QUOTE: METHODS OF CONTROL AND VERIFICATION OF
DISARMAMENT AGREEMENTS AND MEASURES INTENDED TO REINFORCE
CONFIDENCE AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY CAN BE STRENGTHENED

BY THE APPLICATION OF EARTH OBSERVATION TECHNIQUES BY SATELLITES. THESE SATELLITE OBSERVATION TECHNIQUES THEREFORE SHOULD CONTRIBUTE TO DISARMAMENT EFFORTS UNDERTAKEN BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY.

FOR THIS PURPOSE THE CREATION OF AN INTERNATIONAL OBSERVATION SATELLITE AGENCY SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION.

A COMMITTEE OF GOVERNMENT EXPERTS WILL BE REQUESTED TO STUDY THE FUNCTIONS, THE STATUTE, THE STRUCTURE AND THE MODALITIES OF THIS AGENCY AND TO REPORT ON THIS SUBJECT TO THE 34TH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IS REQUESTED TO DESIGNATE FOR THIS COMMITTEE A GROUP OF QUALIFIED GOVERNMENT EXPERTS TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION AN EQUITABLE GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION. END QUOTE.

3. US DEL WILL DISCUSS OUR VIEWS ON THE FRENCH PROPOSAL, AS CONTAINED IN THE UNCLASSIFIED TALKING POINTS PROVIDED REFTEL, WITH OTHER ALLIED DELEGATIONS AND WILL REPORT THEIR REACTIONS. YOUNG

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